(b) whether bungling has been committed in this regard and whether the Government will inquire into whole of this episode and provide the benefits of good-will allowances to the owners of the land and buildings as well; and

(c) if so, by when and if not, the reasons therefor?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF POWER (SHRIMATI JAYAWANTI MEHTA): (a) The Government of Uttaranchal, who are handling the rehabilitation and resettlement of the population affected by Tehri Project, have informed that in order to carry out early vacation of Tehri Town, the Government of Uttaranchal, had sanctioned a package of Rs. 15 crores for payment of compensatory grant to the shopkeepers and advocates of Old Tehri Town. The grant amount was in categories ranging from Rs. 1.00 lakh to Rs. 3.00 lakhs, and was paid after demolition or putting seal on the shop. This benefit has not been given to hawkers.

(b) and (c) The Government of Uttaranchal have intimated that only complaints of general nature have been received regarding distribution of this allowance, and no fact of specific bungling has come to notice. In case any such fact comes to their notice, it would be enquired into and those found guilty would be punished and recovery effected from the ineligible recipient. It has further been indicated that owners of the land and buildings are being given House Construction Assistance (HCA) in accordance with their eligibility.

NTPC's proposed Thermal Power Projects

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Will the Minister of POWER be pleased to state:

(a) whether NTPC has proposed to set up a series of new Thermal Power Projects in the country, if so, the details thereof;

(b) if so, whether the State Governments of Andhra Pradesh, Karnataka and other Southern States have requested the Union Government to set up new power plants in Andhra Pradesh, Karnataka and other Southern States; and

(c) if so, the action taken by Government in this regard?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF POWER (SHRIMATI JAYAWANTI MEHTA): (a) National Thermal Power Corporation (NTPC) envisages a capacity addition of 19,970 MW during the 10th (2002-07) and 11th (2007-2012) Plan periods. The details of these projects are as follows:

Sl. No.	Project/Location	Capacity Addition Programme (MW)	Remarks
1	2	3	4
I. Approved On-going Projects.			
i.	Simhadri Super Thermal Power Project (STPP), Andhra Pradesh	500	500 MW Unit-I already commissioned in February, 2002.
ii.	Talcher STPP, Orissa.	2000	
iii.	Rihand STPP Stage-II, Uttar Pradesh	1000	
iv.	Ramagundam STPP Stage-III, Andhra Pradesh	500	
	Sub-Total (I)	4000	
II. CEA Cleared Projects.			
v.	Koldam Hydro Power Project, Himachal Pradesh	800	Detailed Project Report under processing in Central Electricity Authority (CEA) for revised Techno-economic clearance.
vi.	Sipat STPP, Chhattisgarh.	1980	
vii.	Barh STPP, Bihar	1980	
viii.	Kahalgaon STPP Stage-II, Bihar	1320	
ix.	Anta Gas Power Project (GPP), Rajasthan.	650	To be taken up after confirmation of Liquified Natural Gas (LNG) availability at reasonable/

1	2	3	4
			firm price and confirmation from beneficiary States to take power and sign PPA backed up by adequate payment security.
xi.	Kawas GPP, Gujarat	650	
xii.	Jhanor-Gandhar GPP Stage-II, Gujarat	650	
	Sub-Total (II)	**8680**	
III. Other New projects			
xiii.	North Karanpura STPP, Jharkand	1980	
xiv.	Sipat STPP Stage-II, Chhattisgarh	660	Techno-economic appraisal of Feasibility Report (FR) under process in CEA.
xv.	Vindhyachal STPP Stage-III, Madhya Pradesh	1000	
xvi.	Unchahar Thermal Power Project (TPP) Stage-III, Uttar Pradesh	210	
xvii.	Dadri TPP Stage-II, Uttar Pradesh.	490	
xviii.	Cheyyur STPP, Tamil Nadu	1000	FR under preparation. Coastal Regulation Zone clearance by Ministry of Environment and Forests is required.
xix.	Kayamkulam Combined Cycle Power Project Stage-II, Kerala.	1950	FR to be firmed up after confirmation of LNG availability at reasonable/firm price and confirmation from beneficiary States to take power and sign PPAs backed up by adequate payment security mechanism.
	Sub-Total(III)	**7290**	
	Total (I+II+III)	**19970**	

NTPC will implement these projects with funds available through internal resources, market and external commercial borrowings.

(b) and (c) NTPC is already implementing three projects namely Simhadri TPP (2x500 MW), Talcher STPP Stage-II (4x500 MW) and Ramagundam STPP Stage-III (500 MW) for benefit to States and UTs of Southern Region. NTPC has also identified coal based Cheyyur STPP (1000 MW) project in Tamil Nadu for which finalization of the proposal is held up pending Coastal Regulation Zone (CRZ) clearance and site clearance.

Based on Government of Karnataka's request for setting up of a Power Plant in Karnataka State, NTPC carried out a pre-feasibility study in May, 2001 for setting up a 200 MW Coal/LNG based Project near Karwar in Karnataka and it was found that it would not be a viable option to take up 2000 MW Karwar Project either with LNG or Coal as fuel. NTPC also examined a site in Brahmavar Sub-Taluk, Udupi Taluk & District in June, 2001 and not found it suitable. Government of Karnataka's request for NTPC's participation in Vijayanagar Thermal Power Project (1000 MW) was also examined by NTPC and not found techno-economically suitable.

Government of Kerala have requested for expansion of NTPC's existing 350 MW Combined Cycle Power Plant at Kayamkulam. This power plant is presently using Naphtha as fuel. NTPC envisages to expand the Kayamkulam Combined Cycle Power Project by adding 1950 MW capacity in Stage-II. The project is proposed to be developed with LNG as a possible fuel. The Stage-II proposal will be firmed up after confirmation of LNG availability at reasonable/firm prices in matching time frame/reasonable terms and confirmation from the beneficiaries states/UTs in Southern Region to take power and sign PPAs backed up by adequate payment security mechanism.

A Joint Venture projection for 1000 MW at North Chennai between Tamil Nadu Electricity Board and NTPC is also under examination by NTPC.